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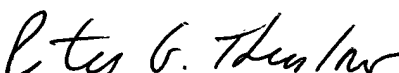
In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Pursuant to the recent changes to 37 CFR 1.98 (a)(2)(i), Applicants do not enclose copies of the cited U.S. patents.

For the concise explanation of relevance for the non-English documents, the Examiner is respectfully referred to the English Abstracts attached thereto.

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## U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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## OTHER DOCUMENT(S) (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)


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